

Resources & Performance Scrutiny Board

Partnership Scrutiny Update: Oxfordshire Rural Community Council

13 June 2011

Report of Interim Head of Legal and Democratic Services

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update Members on the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council.

This report is public

Recommendations

The Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board is recommended:

- (1) To note the report and update on the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council.
- (2) To consider if there are any issues that they wish to explore further and if these should be added to the 2011/12 Work Programme.

Details

- 1.1 In 2009/10 the Board scrutinised the Council's partnership with Oxfordshire Rural Community Council. The Board's report was submitted to the Executive in April 2010. The Executive commended the report and accepted all of the recommendations. This report is attached at appendix 1.
- 1.2 In September 2010 the Board received an update in progress against the recommendations. Whilst satisfied with the progress, the Board had noted that in light of emerging budget and service pressures all of the Council's partnerships were being kept under review and requested a further update on progress against the recommendations be presented to the Board in spring/summer 2011.
- 1.3 Appendix 2 contains details of further progress against the

recommendations.

- 1.4 With regard to the update on rural community transport, CDC proposes to withdraw funding for ORCC's rural community transport work. Instead, it is proposed to tender 3 contracts to deliver a range of advice and services, including setting up volunteer driver schemes.
- 1.5 At the request of the Executive, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will consider the commissioning of advice, volunteering and voluntary car driving scheme in Cherwell at its meeting on 14 July 2011. The Committee will then determine if they wish to undertake further scrutiny of any issues. The briefing note being considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is attached at Appendix 3 for information.

Implications

Financial: There are no financial implications associated with this report. Should the Board wish to undertake further scrutiny, any financial implications will be considered accordingly.

Comments checked by Denise Taylor, Service Accountant 01295 221982

Legal: There are no legal implications associated with this report. Should the Board wish to undertake further scrutiny, any legal implications will be considered accordingly.

Comments checked by Paul Manning, Solicitor 01295 221691

Risk Management: There are no risk implications associated with this report. Should the Board wish to undertake further scrutiny, any risk management implications will be considered accordingly.

Comments checked by James Doble, Democratic, Scrutiny and Elections Manager 01295 221557

Wards Affected

All

Corporate Plan Themes

A district of opportunity

Lead Member

Councillor George Reynolds
Deputy Leader of the Council

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	Resources and Performance Scrutiny Board report on Partnership Scrutiny – Oxfordshire Rural Communities Council
Appendix 2	Recommendation Monitoring Update
Appendix 3	For information only – Briefing note to Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Commissioning of Advice, Volunteering and Voluntary Car Driving Schemes in Cherwell
Background Papers	
None	
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